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FOLLOWING REPEAT MANILA 2445 TO SECSTATE FEB 17, 1977

QTE C O N F I D E N T I A L MANILA 2445

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TAGS: ELAB, ILO

SUBJ: PREPARATIONS FOR MARCH 1977 SESSION OF ILO GOVERNING BODY (GB)

REF: STATE 028274

1. AS REFTEL STATES, THE ONLY MEMBER OF THE ILO GB FROM  
THE RP IS THE LABOR MEMBER WHO IS DEMECRITO MENDOZA, PRESIDENT  
OF THE ASSOCIATED LABOR UNIONS (ALU).

2. MENDOZA TOLD LABATT FEBRUARY 17 THAT BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURE  
OF BUSINESS AT HOME, HE WOULD NOT ARRIVE IN GENEVA IN TIME  
FOR THE FEBRUARY 24 COMMITTEE MEETING. HE WOULD, HOWEVER,  
BE THERE IN TIME FOR THE PLENARY SESSION OF THE GB.

3. MENDOZA IS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. PROPOSALS  
PER REFTEL AND WILL SUPPORT THEM. THE ONLY QUESTION HE  
RAISED CONCERNED THE PROPOSAL FOR A RESOLUTIONS SCREENING  
COMMITTEE. HE ASKED, "WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE REGULAR  
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RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE IF THE GB  
APPROVES A 'SCREENING COMMITTEE'? MENDOZA VOLUNTEERED  
THE VIEW THAT THE ILO VOTING PROCEDURE NEEDS TO BE CHANGED.  
"SONCE ALL MEMBER COUNTRIES INSIST ON EQUAL VOTING RIGHTS",  
HE SAID, "THEN THE AFFILIATION FEE SHOULD BE THE SAME FEE  
FOR ALL, INSTEAD OF THE PRESENT PROCEDURE THAT HAS THE  
UNITED STATES PAYING A FEE THAT AMOUNTS TO 25 PERCENT OF THE ILO

BUDGET AND HAVING THE SAME VOTE AS A COUNTRY WHOSE FEE IS ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT."

4. MENDOZA SAID THAT ONLY ONE PERSON HAS APPROACHED HIM ABOUT HIS VIEWS ON ILO BESIDE LABATT AND THAT WAS AN OFFICIAL OF THE ISRAELI EMBASSY IN MANILA.

5. SINCE GOP AND EMPLOYERS CONFEDERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES ARE NOT REPRESENTED ON THE GB, WE MADE NO REPRESENTATION TO THEM.  
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